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RICHARD FREDERICK KOCH

LIEUTENANT  
UNITED STATES ARMY

NEW YORK OFFICE  
Engineering Societies Building, 29 West 39th Street

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16 May 1941

Mr. Richard F. Koch  
432 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, New York

Dear Mr. Koch:

The experience of England in the present war has established the urgent need of men who have specialized in electrical engineering, radio communication and electronics. To take care of this need the Signal Corps of the United States Army has arranged to appoint unmarried men of your training to the grade of Second Lieutenant, for immediate duty, provided that the usual requirements are satisfied.

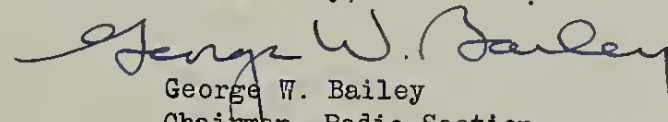
This appointment does not merely defer your being called to service under the Selective Service Act but exempts you completely from the provisions of the Act. The fact that any of the men selected may have already been called to active service, either as electees or under Reserve commissions in branches other than the Signal Corps, will not interfere with the proposed service in the Signal Corps.

The term of active duty would be for one year only, with an option of continuing in the service.

Pay and allowances for a Second Lieutenant on active duty varies from \$183 to \$363 per month depending upon the nature of duty performed. Officers are granted thirty days leave in each year.

Do you wish to apply for one of these commissions? An immediate reply will be appreciated. An addressed and stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Yours truly,

  
George W. Bailey  
Chairman, Radio Section  
Office of Scientific Personnel

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21 May 1941

Mr. Richard F. Koch  
432 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, New York

Dear Mr. Koch:

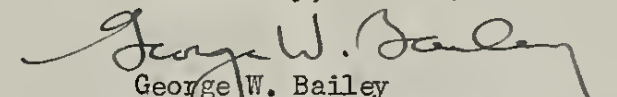
I am glad to learn by your letter of May 19 that you are interested in a commission as Second Lieutenant in the Signal Corps.

Answering your question it would not be permissible for officers holding this commission to marry during his year in service. The nature of duty is such that the Army feels that is it impracticable for a man to marry while in the service. The same rule applies to an officer who would take up the option of an extension for another year.

In answer to your request for a reference to some member of the Signal Corps in New York City we are passing on your application to the Signal Corps here in Washington and they will send you registration blanks and further advice on the subject. Please bear in mind that you are not committed to a definite decision until you have actually held up your right hand to be sworn into the service.

Our country has an urgent need for a man of your training and the finest thing you could do would be to apply for such a commission.

Yours truly,

  
George W. Bailey  
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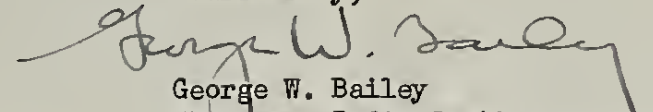
5 June 1941

Mr. Richard F. Koch  
432 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, New York

Dear Mr. Koch:

Replying to your letter of May 31, I know that  
your application is being actively considered by the Signal  
Corps and you should hear from them very soon, if you have  
not already done so. I hope that you will continue to wait  
as I am quite sure that you will have definite information  
in a very short time.

Yours truly,

  
George W. Bailey  
Chairman, Radio Section  
Office of Scientific Personnel

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER  
Washington

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201 - Koch, Richard F.

June 5, 1941

Subject: Appointment as Second Lieutenant, Signal Corps Reserve.

To: Mr. Richard F. Koch,  
432 Broadway,  
Cedarhurst, New York.

1. A member of the board of officers appointed to consider your application for a commission as 2nd Lieutenant, Signal Corps Reserve, will be prepared to interview you as indicated below.

The itinerary of the board member is such that the interview must be held as scheduled.

2. If it is more convenient for you, you may present yourself for interview by a representative of the board in Room 3303, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C., on any weekday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

3. No expense will be incurred by the Government as a result of your compliance with the foregoing instructions.

Board representative: Lieutenant Colonel Willis R. Lansford, S.C.

Place of interview: Location: Hotel Lincoln

City: New York City

Time of interview: 12:00 Noon a.m. Date June 11 1941  
p.m.

*Clyde L. Eastman*

Clyde L. Eastman,  
Colonel, Signal Corps,  
Executive.

### IMMUNIZATION REGISTER <sup>1</sup>

LAST NAME Loch	FIRST NAME Richard	ARMY SERIAL NO.
GRADE	COMPANY	REGT. OR STAFF CORPS Sig-ites.
		AGE
		RACE

#### SMALLPOX VACCINE

DATE	TYPE OF REACTION <sup>2</sup>	MED. OFFICER <sup>3</sup>
6/11/41	<i>[Signature]</i>	LHC

#### TRIPLE TYPHOID VACCINE

SERIES	DATES OF ADMINISTRATION			MED. OFFICER <sup>3</sup>
	1ST DOSE	2D DOSE	3D DOSE	
1st	6/11/41			LHC
2d				
3d				

#### TETANUS TOXOID

	INITIAL VACCINATION		STIMULATING DOSES	
	DATE	MED. OFF. <sup>3</sup>	DATE	MED. OFF. <sup>3</sup>
1st dose				
2d dose				
3d dose				

#### YELLOW FEVER VACCINE

DATE	LOT NO.	AMOUNT	MED. OFF. <sup>3</sup>

#### OTHER VACCINES

DISEASE	DATE	TYPE OF VACCINE	DOSES	MED. OFF. <sup>3</sup>

GENERAL DISPENSARY, U. S. ARMY  
 1316 Federal Office Building, U.S. Army, M. C.,  
 20 Church Street, NEW YORK, N.Y.

## INSTRUCTIONS

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1. A record will be kept on this form of all vaccinations given under the direction of medical officers to military and civilian personnel resident with military commands. See A. R. 40-215 for further details.

2. Appropriate entries will be made at the time prophylactic vaccinations are made and the entries will be authenticated by the initials of the medical officer making the inoculation.

3. In the case of a civilian employee, the character of his employment (clerk, teamster, etc.) and the staff corps or department in which he is employed will be noted in the space *Regiment or Staff Corps*. A brief notation of the status of other civilians will be made in the same spaces.

4. All officers and warrant officers furnished completed vaccination registers will preserve them and will exhibit them to examining medical officers at the annual physical examination. The medical examining officer will transcribe pertinent immunization data to the report of the annual physical examination.

5. The duplicate copy of the immunization register will be filed alphabetically in a Medical Department immunization file at the station or command to which the individual belongs.

6. Record as vaccina, vaccinoid, or immune reaction. If there is no reaction, or if the reaction fails to conform to any of the three recognized types, *vaccination will be repeated*. The use of the term "unsuccessful vaccination" on official records will not be used.

Form 81  
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, U. S. A.  
(Revised January 23, 1941)



IN REPLY  
REFER TO

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER  
WASHINGTON

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201-Koch, Richard F.

July 1, 1941.

Mr. Richard F. Koch,  
432 Broadway,  
Cedarhurst, New York.

Dear Mr. Koch:

In reference to your recent application for commission as Second Lieutenant, Signal Corps Reserve, we have been asked by the Military Intelligence Department to request the following information:

1. Have you at any time been a member of or connected in any way with the American Fellowship Forum of New York City?
2. If affirmative, please give details as to time, circumstances, and extent of activities.

A prompt reply is requested since your commission is pending this reply. While this is more or less in the nature of a routine check, you will understand that the confidential nature of the work requires that every conceivable possibility be carefully checked. Upon receipt of your reply, action will be taken at once to complete your records.

Very truly yours,

*Clyde L. Eastman*  
Clyde L. Eastman,  
Colonel, Signal Corps,  
Executive.

Chief Signal Officer  
Munitions Bldg.  
Washington, D. C.

In ~~reference~~ reference to 201-Roch,  
Richard S. I have had no con-  
nection, past or present,  $\bar{c}$  Am. Fellow-  
ship Town of N. Y. C.

Richard Roch.

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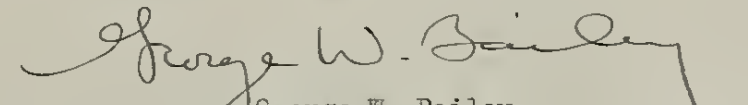
15 July 1941

Mr. Richard F. Koch  
432 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, New York

Dear Mr. Koch:

In reply to your letter of July 13, we are glad to say that your appointment is almost through the required steps and it looks very favorable. Of course the Signal Corps has the final decision and you ought to hear from them very soon.

Yours truly,

  
George W. Bailey  
Chairman, Radio Section  
Office of Scientific Personnel

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In reply refer to 201-Koch, Richard Frederick  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER  
Washington  
August 1, 1941

Subject: Appointment of Second Lieutenant, Signal Corps Reserve.

To: Mr. Richard Frederick Koch  
432 Broadway  
Cedarhurst, New York

1. Your application for appointment as a Second Lieutenant, Signal Corps Reserve, has been favorably considered, and The Adjutant General, United States Army, has been requested to offer a commission to you. Following acceptance of your commission, you may expect orders at an early date which will place you on active-duty. The purpose of this letter is to assist in meeting some of the problems that may confront you upon acceptance of your commission and the receipt of your orders to active duty.

2. As an Army officer on active duty you will need a complete uniform and some miscellaneous items of clothing. A memorandum is inclosed which lists some items you are required to possess and some that are optional. Approximate costs are shown opposite each item.

It is strongly urged that you defer the purchase of uniform equipment until you reach Fort Monmouth unless you already have it. To assure similarity in color and style of uniforms as much as possible, the representatives of several manufacturers of uniforms and equipment have arranged to take measurements and provide for early delivery of items you may order.

Minor items of personal necessities may be purchased at the post exchange at reasonable prices.

3. Adequate quarters will be provided at Fort Monmouth and you may obtain all meals at reasonable costs at the officers' mess situated on the post.

4. Medical attention is furnished by the Army.

5. It is suggested, if you have one, that you do not bring your personal automobile.

6. Following your preliminary processing, an intensive course of instruction in certain basic military subjects will be given. The course of instruction will necessarily be brief. Emphasis will be placed on those subjects which will produce a military bearing and soldierly mental attitude.

7. Fort Monmouth is situated near renowned beach resorts. Adequate opportunity will be given for recreation and visits to nearby

points of interest during the progress of the school course. It is suggested that you have a bathing suit if you care to enjoy the bathing facilities. You may also bring athletic clothes.

For the Chief Signal Officer:

*Clyde L. Eastman*  
Clyde L. Eastman  
Colonel, Signal Corps,  
Executive.

1 Incl.  
(Memorandum of Clothing and  
Equipment.)

MEMORANDUM:

INDIVIDUAL CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

1. The following lists are furnished as a general guide for newly commissioned officers for the assembling of personal clothing and equipment. As it is very desirable that uniforms and equipment be of standard quality, fit and condition, arrangements may be made to have the basic items of uniform supplied by reputable contractors who will have representatives meet you at Fort Monmouth. Some miscellaneous items may also be acquired from the same source. Approximate costs are shown opposite each item. Credit purchases may be arranged as to sums in excess of a reasonable initial payment which may be about 33-1/3% of list prices.

UNIFORM

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Article</u>	<u>Approx. Cost</u>
1	<i>pair</i> Each	Cap, service, O.D.	\$ 6.95
1	"	Cap, overseas, wool, O.D.	2.25
2	"	Tie, black, plain, four-in-hand, <i>also tan</i>	.50 ea.
3	"	Shirts, cotton, twill, khaki	2.95 ea.
3	"	Shirts, flannel or gabardine	7.00 ea.
1	"	Blouse (coat), elastique	35.00
1	"	Belt, Sam Browne, complete	9.50
1	"	Belt, web, waist	.25
2	"	Trousers, chino	3.00 ea.
2	"	Trousers, elastique pink	12.50 ea.
2	"	Shirts, white, plain	1.25 ea.
1	Pair	Gloves, tan leather	1.50
2	"	Shoes, tan (high top and low cut, 1 pair each)	10.00
12	"	Socks, tan (6 wool and 6 cotton)	.25 pr.
1	Each	Trench coat	22.50
3	Set	Insignia, for appropriate arm or service and unit, including cap.	7.00
3	"	Insignia, rank	1.80
1	Each	Cover (rubber) for cap, service, O.D.	.50
6	"	(Drawers, cotton)	.25 ea.
		(Drawers, wool)	.50 ea.
6	"	(Undershirts, cotton)	.25 ea.
		(Undershirts, wool)	.50 ea.
12	"	Handkerchiefs	.05 ea.
1	"	Overshoes, tan	1.25
1	"	Toilet Set	2.00
3	"	Towels, huck, cotton, or linen	.25 ea.
2	"	Towels, bath	.50 ea.
1	"	Housewife	.25

MISCELLANEOUS

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Article</u>	<u>Approx. Cost</u>
2	Each	Trunks, locker (4.40 ea.)	\$3.80
1	"	Musette bag	2.95
1	"	Bedding roll	10.00
3	"	Blankets	12.00
2	"	Sheets (canton flannel is suggested)	1.00
1	"	Pillow	1.00
2	"	Pillow cases	1.00
1	"	Gold medal cot	2.50

Approximate total cost. . . . . \$200.00

2. Khaki cotton is ordinarily used for the period May 15th to September 30th. Olive drab, woolen, should be used for the period October 1st to May 14th.

3. Officers having the following articles or equipment may bring field glasses, compass, notebook, paper, pencil, fountain pen, dispatch or map cases, watch, and flashlight.

4. Be sure to provide yourself with an adequate supply of razor blades, soap (shaving and bath) and cigarettes or cigars.

STATION HOSPITAL  
FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.

August 6, 1941

Subject: Report of Physical Examination

To : The Commanding General, Second Corps Area, Governors Island, N.Y.  
(Through The Commanding General, Fort Monmouth, N. J. )

1. Report that 2nd Lt. Richard P. Koch, Si . Mes  
who reported to this station has been examined physically by me  
this date and shows no evidence of having suffered from any  
illness or injury since the date of his last final type physical  
examination made within sixty (60) days of effective date of  
active duty orders.

*S. Kantor*  
S. KANTOR,  
1st Lieut., MC  
Examining Officer.

Incl -  
Cert of 2nd Lt. Koch  
(in dup)



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PAID IN ADVANCE 32.50

SHIP VIA

CALLED FOR

NEW YORK SHOW ROOMS  
261 FIFTH AVENUE

LOT	QUAN.	DESCRIPTION AND SIZES	PRICE	AMOUNT
274	1	OFF SHORT OVERCOAT SIZE 37 ALTERATION	32 50	32 50
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INVOICE NO.

**A29715**

TERMS PAID IN ADV 10.50 SHIP VIA CALLED FOR

NEW YORK SHOW ROOMS  
261 FIFTH AVENUE

LOT	QUAN.	DESCRIPTION AND SIZES	PRICE	AMOUNT
	1	OFF WINDBREAKER SIZE 36 ALTERATION	10 50	10 50

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND MILITARY AREA  
90 Church St., New York, N.Y.

August 18, 1941.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

E X T R A C T

NO. 178)

5. Pursuant to War Department instructions, each of the following-named Reserve officers, recently appointed, ARM AND SERVICE ASSIGNMENT GROUP, is placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Second Military Area:

Colonel VAN SANTVOORD MERLE-SMITH, O-166294, Spec-Res.	Oyster Bay, Long Island, N.Y.
Major WILLIAM CHILES HUTCHESON, O-421540, Med-Res.	Bellevue Hospital, New York, N.Y.
Major DELANO PERRINE FOOTE, O-208884, Spec-Res.	219 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Major FREDERICK ORVAL BRITTON, O-423868, Spec-Res.	77-12 35th Ave., Jackson Heights, N.Y.
Major KENT ALLERTON HUNTER, O-114009, Spec-Rcs.	154-35 Tenth Ave., Beachhurst, Queens, N.Y.
Major CHARLES ALLEN ELLIS, O-181368, MI-Res.	280 East 21st St., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Major BRADLEY JOHNSON SAUNDERS, Jr., O-130077, Spec-Res.	53 East 87th St., New York, N.Y.
Major WILLIAM HERBERT BERRY, O-404736, Med-Res.	930 Park Ave., New York, N.Y.
Captain HOWARD EDSON NORRIS, O-422537, Spec-Res.	1165-5th Ave., New York, N.Y.
Captain ROBERT GORDON MCKAY, O-167869, MI-Res.	Garrison, N.Y.
2nd Lt. RICHARD FREDERICK KOCH, O-423668, Sig-Res.	432 Broadway, Cedarhurst, N.Y.

6. Pursuant to War Department instructions, the following-named Reserve officer, recently reappointed, ARM AND SERVICE ASSIGNMENT GROUP, is placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Second Military Area:

Capatin WILLIAM ROBERT SANDUSKY, O-295497, Mod-Res.,	4 Ridgeview Ave., White Plains, N.Y.
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(5)

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 178, HEADQUARTERS SECOND MILITARY AREA, August 18, 1941.

7. The following-named Reserve officer, ARM AND SERVICE ASSIGNMENT GROUP, having reported a change of permanent address to an address within the jurisdiction of the Second Military Area, is placed under the administrative control of this headquarters:

Captain GEORGE DAVID LORD,  
O-249666, CW-Ros.

14 Fern Terrace,  
Bryn Mawr Park, Yonkers,  
New York.

8. Pursuant to War Department instructions, the following-named Reserve officer, ARM AND SERVICE ASSIGNMENT GROUP, is hereby transferred to the Inactive Reserve:

1st Lt. WALLACE WRIGHT HOGE,  
O-229827, CW-Ros.

504 East 87th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

9. Pursuant to War Department instructions, 2nd Lt. ERNEST SAMUEL MOORER, Jr., (O-275750), MI-Ros., ARM AND SERVICE ASSIGNMENT GROUP, having been discharged under the provisions of par. 74i, AR 140-5, dated June 17, 1941, is released from the administrative jurisdiction of the Second Military Area. (119 Bank St., New York, N.Y.).

10. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 10.f (1), General Orders No. 10, Headquarters, Second Corps Area, dated January 16, 1941, leave of absence for nine (9) days, effective on or about August 20, 1941, is granted Colonel JOHN D. vonHOLTZENDORFF, (O-3428), Field Artillery. (Address while on leave: Headquarters, Field Artillery Section, Second Military, 90 Church St., New York, N.Y.).

11. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 3, AR 605-135, dated January 31, 1936, a Board of Officers is hereby appointed to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of passing on the suitability and serviceability of private mounts of Colonel JOHN D. vonHOLTZENDORFF, (O-3428) Field Artillery.

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

Lt. Col. THOMAS F. LILBOCKER,  
O-4758, Cavalry

90 Church St.,  
New York, N.Y.

Lt. Col. JOHN D. HOOD,  
O-5332, Cavalry

90 Church St.,  
New York, N.Y.

12. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 10.f (1), General Orders No. 10, Headquarters, Second Corps Area, dated January 16, 1941, leave of absence for four (4) days, effective on or about August 21, 1941, is granted Major LEONARD P. BOTTING, (O-172678), Coast Artillery, (Address while on leave: Vernon Camp, Yankoo Lake, Sullivan County, New York).

13. So much of paragraph 14, Special Orders No. 170, this headquarters, dated August 8, 1941, as pertains to 2nd Lt. LEE CONNELL GATEWOOD, (O-380059), Engr-Ros., 315 East 50th St., New York, N.Y., is REVOKED.

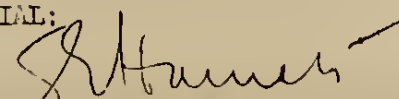
14. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 10.f (1), General Orders No. 10, Headquarters, Second Corps Area, dated January 16, 1941, leave of absence for fifteen (15) days, effective on or about August 23, 1941, is granted Lt. Col. THOMAS F. LILBOCKER, O-4758, Cavalry.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 178, HEADQUARTERS SECOND MILITARY AREA, August 18, 1941.

By command of Major General PHILLIPSON:

CLEMENT H. WRIGHT,  
Colonel, Infantry,  
Executive.

OFFICIAL:

  
S. G. HARNETT,  
Major, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND MILITARY AREA  
90 Church Street  
New York, N. Y.

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August 23rd, 1941

SUBJECT: Statement of Service

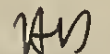
TO : 2nd Lt., Richard F. Koch, Sig.-Res.  
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey

1. For Reserve Officers on extended active duty, this headquarters has established the practice of mailing a statement of service in triplicate to the Officer concerned.

2. Of the enclosed statement of service, you will present two copies to the Finance Officer at your place of duty and retain the original. No additional statement of service will be issued by this headquarters.

3. In the event of a change of station, the original statement of service will be used by you as a basis for the preparation of true copies which are to be certified by an officer other than yourself and then presented to the next disbursing officer, together with a transcript statement of account issued by the Finance Officer of your last station, for purposes of pay.

By order of Colonel SELTON:

  
HAROLD L. STIEBEL  
Capt., C.A.C.  
Ass't. Adjutant

1 incl.  
Statement of Service (triplicate)

HEADQUARTERS SECOND MILITARY AREA  
90 Church Street, New York, N. Y.

:kr  
August 23, 1941

STATEMENT OF SERVICE

Richard Frederick Koch

Serial # 0-423668

accepted appointment as 2nd Lt., Sig-Res. in the Officers' Reserve  
Corps on 7/31/41 and is now a 2nd Lt., Sig-Res.

He has had the following periods of active duty:

None.

FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

*Harold L. Stebel*  
HAROLD L. STEBEL  
Capt., G.A.C.  
Ass't. Adjutant

2nd Lt., Richard F. Koch, Sig-Res.  
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey

FORT MONMOUTH ARMY MESS

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.

STATEMENT OF YOUR ACCOUNT

Lt. R. F. Koch  
Tent # 7 R.O.T.C. Camp  
Post Mail

DATE	CHARGES	CREDITS	BALANCE
AUG 31-41			36.10 T BAL
SEP 4-41	.10 CB		36.20 T BAL
SEP 10-41	.50 MISC		
SEP 10-41	.60 RS		37.30 T BAL
SEP 10-41	13.25 MER		50.55 T BAL
Sept. 10-		1.80 Due	48.75
Sept. 10-		36.10	12.65 Bal.
		<i>u. m. m. l.</i>	12.40

PAID  
SEP 11 1941

Fort Monmouth Army Mess  
FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.

PLEASE COOPERATE BY REMITTING BEFORE THE 10TH

DUE=DUES  
MER=MESS (RESIDENT)  
MET=MEALS (TRANSIENT)

RS=ROOM SERVICE  
CB=CLUB BAR  
TL=TELEPHONE

GD=GENERAL OVERHEAD  
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MISC=MISCELLANEOUS



FORT MONMOUTH ARMY MESS

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.

STATEMENT OF YOUR ACCOUNT AUG 31 1941

┌  
2Lt. R.F. Koch  
└  
┌ Tent #7, R.O.T.C. Area  
└  
Post Mail

DATE	CHARGES	CREDITS	BALANCE
			5.00
AUG 14-41	1.00 CB		3.10 T BAL
AUG 19-41	28.40 MER		31.50 T BAL
AUG 19-41	.20 CB		31.70 T BAL
AUG 22-41	3.00 DUE		
AUG 22-41	1.20 RS		35.90 T BAL
AUG 8-41	.10 CB		36.00 T BAL
AUG 8-41	.10 CB		36.10 T BAL

**PAID**  
SEP 9 1941  
Fort Monmouth Army Mess  
FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.

PLEASE COOPERATE BY REMITTING BEFORE THE 10TH

DUE=DUES  
MER=MESS (RESIDENT)  
NET=MEALS (TRANSIENT)  
RS=ROOM SERVICE  
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The P. M. C. & Members of the  
W. A. A. F. Officers' Mess,  
Cranwell,

requests the pleasure of the Company of

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt R. F. Kool

On Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>

Cocktails

6.30

R. S. & P. to P. M. C.,  
W. A. A. F. Officers' Mess,  
R. A. F. Station, Cranwell.

Officer Mess  
R.A.F. Grantham  
25.10.41.

Dear Koch,

I received today  
my insurance policy from  
Edinburgh so imagine that  
my letter to them has  
gone astray. I have  
returned it immediately to  
and again asked them to  
transfer it to your name  
you will no doubt hear  
from them in a day or two  
at the most.

Will you <sup>please</sup> give the  
£15 to Padre Leahs at your  
early convenience

Yours faithfully  
J. H. Sutton.

To 2/Lt. R.F.Kosh,  
Officers Mess,  
R.A.F. CRANBELL.



**GENERAL**  
ACCIDENT FIRE AND LIFE  
ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

GENERAL BUILDINGS, 134 GEORGE STREET, 2

Edinburgh, 20th Oct. 1941.....

TELEGRAMS:  
"GAFLAC, EDINBURGH."

TELEPHONE—EDINBURGH 30061 (3 LINES)  
IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

MMP


Dear Sir,

re Policy M.V.1300275 - Sqdr.Ldr. J.F.Sutton.

We have been advised by Sqdr.Ldr. Sutton that he has sold his Standard Saloon, A.F.J.591 to you and wishes the insurance transferred to your name. We, therefore, enclose a proposal form and shall be obliged if you will fully complete, sign and return this to us when we will be in a position to attend to the issue of a cover note.

Yours faithfully,  
K. DUDLEY FELLOWS,  
Branch Manager,

Enc.

per 

"F"

Certified that... M. L. T. ROCH .....

is required to proceed by private car on official duty as stated in the undermentioned itinerary and that petrol coupons are necessary for the performance of this service.

ITINERARY.

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Make of car:-	... <u>PRESTWICK</u> .....	... <u>COLEBY GRANGE</u> .....
... <u>STANDARD</u> .....	.....	.....
H.P. ... <u>10</u> .....	.....	.....
Regn. No. <u>AF 591</u> .....	.....	.....
	.....	.....
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	.....	.....
Total Mileage.....	<u>30.0</u>	.....

Date... 26. 11. 41 .....

Head of Branch. G. Wilson F/O

Guaranty Trust Company of New York

(Incorporated with limited liability in the State of New York, U.S.A.)

~~PALL MALL OFFICE~~

~~50, PALL MALL, S.W. 1~~

BUSH HOUSE, ALDWYCH, LONDON, W.C. 2

Cable Address: "Guarpmal"

London 29th Nov. 1941.

2nd Lieut. R.F.Koch.  
U.S. Army.

(No. 21)

We beg to inform you that we have passed the following entries to the CREDIT of your current account subject to final payment:—

Amount	Value	Remarks
<u>£11. 8. 8.</u>	6th Dec;	Royal Air Force Warrant received - Allowances.

Yours faithfully,

DL/DC Guaranty Trust Company of New York

~~PALL MALL OFFICE~~

# Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

(Incorporated with limited liability in the State of New York, U.S.A.)

KINGSWAY OFFICE:

Bush House, Aldwych, W.C.2.

Cable Address, "Guarings."

London. 1st Dec. 1941

Lt. Richard Frederick Koch,  
U.S. Army

(21)

We beg to inform you that we have passed the following entries to  
the credit of your current account:—  
(Subject to final Payment)

Amount	Value	Remarks
£14. 6. 4.	today	Equivalent \$ 58.-- at 4.03% less 1/-1. exchange and handling commission. Cheque received from Finance Officer.

Yours faithfully,

Guaranty Trust Company of New York  
KINGSWAY OFFICE

# Guaranty Trust Company of New York

(Incorporated with limited liability in the State of New York, U.S.A.)

~~PALL MALL OFFICE~~

~~50, PALL MALL, S.W. 1~~  
GUSH HOUSE, ALDWYCH, LONDON, W.C.2  
Cable Address, "Guarpamal"

London 5th Dec. 1941

2nd Lt. Richard F. Koch,  
U.S. Army.

No. 21

We beg to inform you that we have passed the following entries to  
the CREDIT of your current account subject to final payment:—

Amount	Value	Remarks
£47. 4. 8.	today	Proceeds \$191.-- at 4.03 $\frac{1}{2}$ less 1/5d. exchange and handling commission. Cheque drawn by Finance Officer.

Yours faithfully,

Guaranty Trust Company of New York

~~PALL MALL OFFICE~~  
*[Signature]*

Form No.

-150-5/39



TELEPHONE No. 8181



ALL REPLIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED  
"THE CHIEF CONSTABLE"  
AND NOT TO ANY INDIVIDUAL BY NAME

*Chief Constable's Office.*  
*City Police*  
*Lincoln*

10th December, 1941.

Mr. Richard F. Koch,  
Coleby Grange,  
Coleby,  
Lincoln.

Dear Sir,

It has been reported to me that at 8.10 p.m. on Monday,  
the 8th instant, your motor car was found in Saltergate, Lincoln,  
without lights and also that it had been left on the wrong side of  
the road.

After having given this matter careful consideration  
I have decided, in the present instance, to refrain from  
taking further steps, but should you again be reported for  
an alleged breach of the law I shall be compelled to take  
these circumstances into account.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Constable.

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48 LONG ROW, NOTTINGHAM

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NOTTINGHAM 3941

SWE/NH. 1/

13th. December, 1941.

Lt. R.A. Koch,  
Officers' Mess,  
R.A.F. Station,  
COLEBY GRANGE,  
Lincoln.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your esteemed enquiry  
through our representative, Mr. Wakefield.

We have pleasure in submitting a pattern  
of American Whipcord and the price for Tunic is £10  
and the Slacks £3-10-0. We can also do the Side  
caps. We regret we cannot submit a pattern of the  
Greatcoat, but if you are interested we shall be  
pleased to furnish a pattern with price.

Assuring you of our best attention at all  
times.

Yours faithfully,  
for Austin Reed Ltd.,

Nottingham Manager.

# Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

(Incorporated with limited liability in the State of New York, U.S.A.)

KINGSWAY OFFICE:

Bush House, Aldwych, W.C.2.

Cable Address, "Guaratings."

London. 31 DEC 1941

Lt. Richard Frederick Koch,  
U.S. Army

(21)

We beg to inform you that we have passed the following entries to  
the credit of your current account:—  
(Subject to final Payment)

Amount	Value	Remarks
£14. 9. 3.	today	Equivalent \$ 58.60 at 4.03% less 1/-d. exchange and handling commission. Cheque received from Finance Officer.

Yours faithfully,

Guaranty Trust Company of New York  
KINGSWAY OFFICE.

OFFICERS' MESS

ROYAL AIR FORCE, STATION, DIGBY, Lincoln.

Mess Account for December 1941

Name W Koch 409

£ s. d.

Dr. Balance B/Fwd. Last A/c		£	s.	d.
Monthly Subscription			3	8
Maintenance			5	
Sports			2	6
Golf				
Servant Fund				
R.A.F. Benevolent Fund				
Telephone			3	2
Library				
Newspapers				
Rifle Club				
Mess Guests			1	4
Fines				
Laundry			14	2
Breakage				
Home Consumption				
Wine			6	4
Tobacco and Sundries			2	7
Messing			3	7
Other Messes :	<u>Bards</u>		8	
Tailor				
Dance				
Bridge Losses				
Sports Goods				
Squadron Purchases				
Private Laundry				
Wedding Present			1	6
Miscellaneous Bills :				
Less	TOTAL	£		
Bridge Gains	£	:	:	

GRAND TOTAL £ 5 18 5

Accounts to be paid by 10th inst.  
 Cheques to be Crossed and made payable to Mess Secretary,  
 R.A.F., DIGBY.

OFFICERS' MESS  
ROYAL AIR FORCE, STATION, DIGBY, Lincoln.

Mess Account for January 1942

Name L.T. Hoeth

£ s. d.

DOLBY BROTHERS LTD. PRINTERS, STAMFORD.		£	s.	d.
Dr. Balance B/Fwd. Last A/c	....			
Monthly Subscription	....			
Maintenance	....		1	6
Sports	....			
Golf	....			
Servant Fund	....			
R.A.F. Benevolent Fund	....			
Telephone	....			
Library	....			
Newspapers	....			
Rifle Club	....			
Mess Guests	....			
Fines	....		7	1
Laundry	....			
Breakage	....			
Home Consumption	....			
Wine	....		2	0
Tobacco and Sundries	....			5
Messing	....		16	8
<i>Other Messes :</i>				
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Tailor	....		7	7-1
Dance	....			
Bridge Losses	....			
Sports Goods	....			
Squadron Purchases	....			
Private Laundry	....			
Wedding Present	....			
<i>Miscellaneous Bills :</i>				
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Less	TOTAL	£	1	8
			5	18
				5
Bridge Gains	....	£	:	:

GRAND TOTAL £ 7-7-1

Accounts to be paid by 10th inst.  
Cheques to be Crossed and made payable to Mess Secretary,  
**R.A.F., DIGBY.**

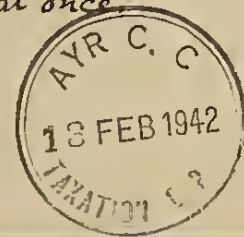


R.F.J. 591.

With the Taxation Officer's Compliments.  
On the 15/1/42 you made application  
for a licence for above numbered  
vehicle. You were issued with a licence  
on the promise that you would  
forward the registration book as soon  
as possible. We have not yet received  
Taxation Department, this book, please forward  
County Buildings, it at once.  
Bath Place,  
Ayr

Telephone No. 3118.

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No. L 4429

ROYAL AIR FORCE STATION  
CRANWELL

—  
OFFICERS' MESS  
—

£1



THREE  
1/-

R.A.F.

1/-

CRANWELL





	R.A.F.	R.A.F.
THREE	1/-	1/-
1/-	CRANWELL	CRANWELL
		

	R.A.F.	R.A.F.	R.A.F.
THREE 1/-	1/-	1/-	1/-
	CRANWELL	CRANWELL	CRANWELL
			



THREE  
6d.

R.A.F.

6d.

CRANWELL



R.A.F.

6d.

CRANWELL

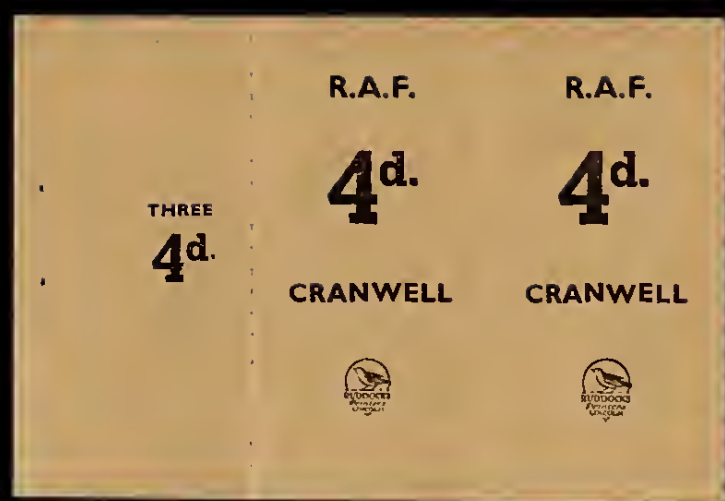


R.A.F.

6d.

CRANWELL





THREE  
4d.

R.A.F.

4d.

CRANWELL



R.A.F.

4d.

CRANWELL



THREE  
4d.

R.A.F.

4d.

CRANWELL



R.A.F.

4d.

CRANWELL



R.A.F.

4d.

CRANWELL



THREE  
4d.





THREE  
**3d.**

R.A.F.  
**3d.**

CRANWELL



R.A.F.  
**3d.**

CRANWELL



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R.A.F.

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CRANWELL



R.A.F.

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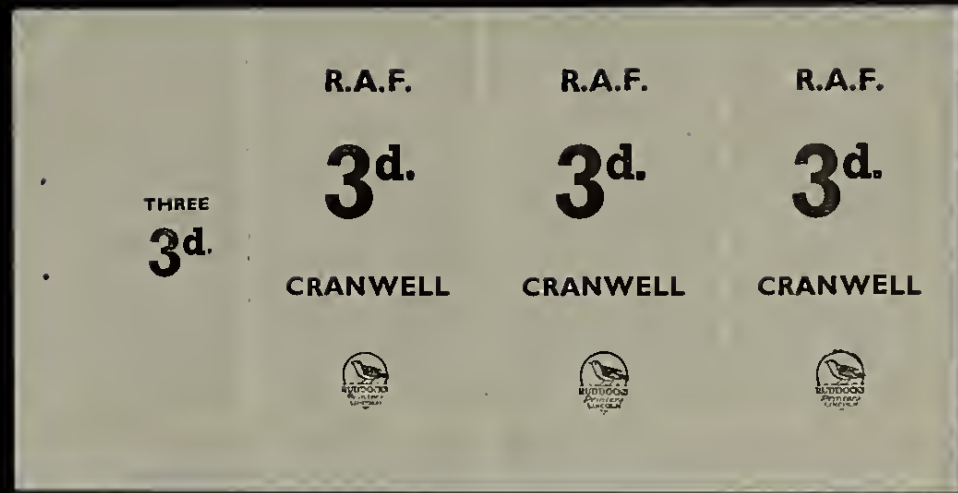


R.A.F.

3d.

CRANWELL





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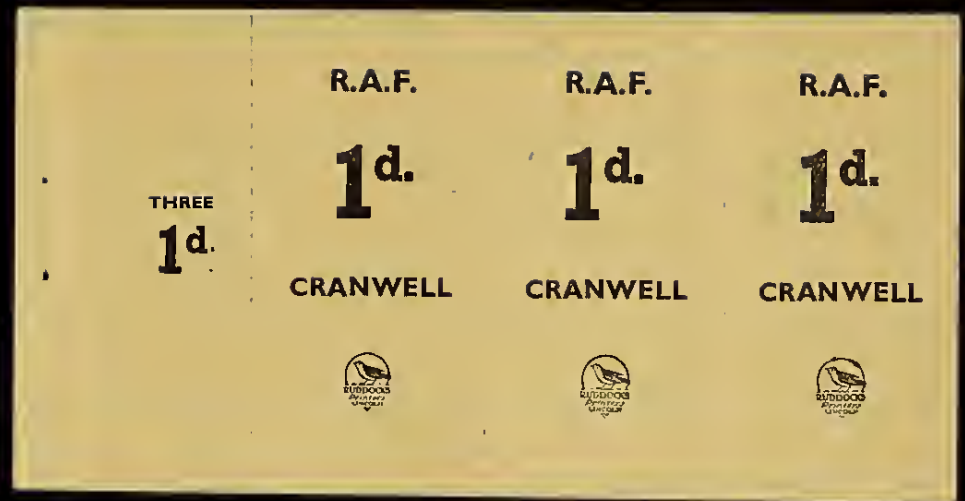


R.A.F.

1d.

CRANWELL





THREE  
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R.A.F.

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CRANWELL



R.A.F.

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CRANWELL



R.A.F.

**1d.**

CRANWELL



THREE  
1d.





UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION

619499 CQ

# WAR RATION BOOK No. 3

Void if altered

Identification of person to whom issued: PRINT IN FULL

Richard F Koch  
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Street number or rural route \_\_\_\_\_

City or post office 71 \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

AGE	SEX	WEIGHT	HEIGHT		OCCUPATION
		Lbs.	Ft.	In.	

SIGNATURE *Richard F Koch*  
(Person to whom book is issued. If such person is unable to sign because of age or incapacity, another may sign in his behalf.)

**WARNING**  
This book is the property of the United States Government. It is unlawful to sell it to any other person, or to use it or permit anyone else to use it, except to obtain rationed goods in accordance with regulations of the Office of Price Administration. Any person who finds a lost War Ration Book must return it to the War Price and Rationing Board which issued it. Persons who violate rationing regulations are subject to \$10,000 fine or imprisonment, or both.

### LOCAL BOARD ACTION

Issued by \_\_\_\_\_ (Local board number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Street address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of issuing officer)

NOT VALID WITHOUT STAMP

U. S. A.

O. P. A.

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RATION  
STAMP NO.  
1

RATION  
STAMP NO.  
2

RATION  
STAMP NO.  
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RATION  
STAMP NO.  
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RATION  
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RATION  
STAMP NO.  
7

RATION  
STAMP NO.  
8

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### INSTRUCTIONS

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Rationing is a vital part of your country's war effort. Any attempt to violate the rules is an effort to deny someone his share and will create hardship and help the enemy.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
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# WAR RATION BOOK No. 3

Valid if altered

O.P.A.  
VALID  
U.S.A. NOT  
and Sign  
VALID

Identification of person to whom issued: PRINT IN FULL

Address

*John P. Koch*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Street number or rural route \_\_\_\_\_

City or post office \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

AGE	SEX	WEIGHT Lbs.	HEIGHT Fl. In.	OCCUPATION

SIGNATURE *Lawrence P. Koch*  
(Person to whom book is issued. If such person is unable to sign because of age or incapacity, another may sign in his behalf.)

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Street address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of issuing officer)







4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
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DS UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION



**WAR RATION BOOK TWO**  
IDENTIFICATION



*Phillips Janet Doris*  
(Name of person to whom book is issued)  
*57 Pleasant St. Brooklyn No.*  
(Street number or rural route)  
*W. Palm Beach Fla. 24*  
(City or post office) (State) (Age) (Sex)

ISSUED BY LOCAL BOARD NO. *6-1 P. Beach* Fla.  
(City) (County) (State)

By *Richard Stob* Office of the Director of Supply  
(Street address of local board) (City) Camp Murphy, Florida

SIGNATURE *Janet Doris Phillips per Richard Stob*  
(To be signed by the person to whom this book is issued. If such person is unable to sign because of age or incapacity, another may sign in his behalf)

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  - 3 A person who finds a lost War Ration Book must return it to the War Price and Rationing Board which issued it.
  - 4 PERSONS WHO VIOLATE RATIONING REGULATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO \$10,000 FINE OR IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH.
- OPA Form No. R-121 16-30823-1





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OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION



**WAR RATION BOOK TWO**  
IDENTIFICATION

*Richard J. Roche*  
(Name of person to whom book is issued)

*436-73 St.*  
(Street number or rural route)

*West Palm Beach Fla 22 Male*  
(City or post office) (State) (Age) (Sex)

ISSUED BY LOCAL BOARD No. *6-1 P.B. Co.*  
(County) (State)

**CAMP MURPHY, FLORIDA**  
(Street address of local board) Office of the Director of Supply

By *Sharon V. Powell*  
(Signature of issuing officer) Camp Murphy, Florida

SIGNATURE *Richard J. Roche*  
(To be signed by the person to whom this book is issued. If such person is unable to sign because of age or incapacity, another may sign in his behalf)

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OLLMAN  
Check. To identify accessories purchased.  
CAMP MURPHY, Fla.  
TO Jacksonville  
ACCOMMODATION CAR  
Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk  
21-163 FORM 100-5-G 1 2 3 PERSONS 405

RAILWAY

11743

CAMP MURPHY

POOLE BROS. CHICAGO

**FLORIDA EAST COAST RY.  
FLAGLER SYSTEM.**

**CASH FARE RECEIPT**

Form  
UCT 1 **A214211**

Good for this Date and Train only  
Receipts for cash fare paid Con-  
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Sincerely,

  
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Major, Signal Corps,  
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# Miracle Harbor



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***"We'll take our harbors with us."***

**A**MERICAN and British officers planning the D-Day details in England were up against a tremendous problem. It was all very well to land troops on the beaches of Normandy, but once there they had to be kept supplied with immense quantities of ammunition, food, and weapons. How were these supplies to keep flowing without a harbor?

There was a limit to what landing craft could do. The rough Channel seas and the tide that rises and falls twenty feet meant that stuff put down on the flat Normandy beaches would be swamped by the tide before it could all be moved onto dry land. And the idea of starting off the invasion by capturing one of the heavily defended French ports was out of the question. It would take too long.

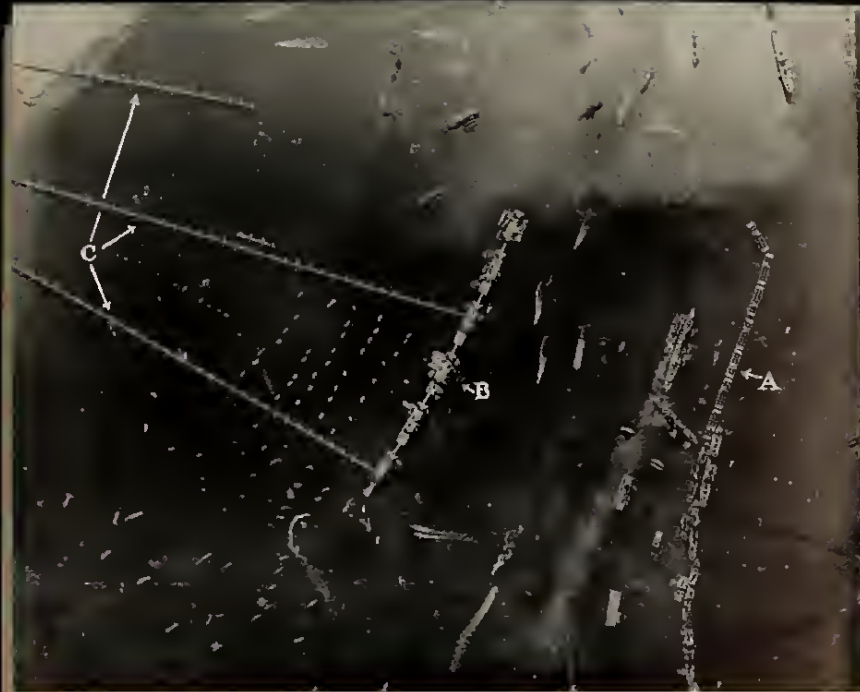
The story goes that one of the officers engaged in the planning remarked casually to one of his colleagues, not intending to be taken seriously, "Well, I suppose we'll have to take our harbors with us." This remark, it is reported, started the experts on a train of thought that ended at the point where the ramps of the prefabricated ports touched the Normandy shore.

Whether this is the true story of the origin of "Operation Mulberries" is not known, but at all events the idea, fostered by Winston Churchill, was presented at the Quebec Conference of August, 1943, and the decision was made there that the Allies would build two harbors as big as Dover and take them along to France.

Then began in Britain one of the most colossal and original engineering projects of this war. Detailed plans were worked out by the British Admiralty and the War Office, and 20,000 British workers were assigned to building the parts at various points in England.

On D-Day a huge fleet of several nationalities, besides British and American, began to tow the ports across the English Channel to pre-arranged sites on the French shore, escorted by the British Navy. On arrival, American Seabees, British Sailors and British Army Engineers assembled them. One harbor was wrecked in a severe gale, but nevertheless in the first 109 days of the invasion the Allies put ashore 2,500,000 troops, more than half a million vehicles, and 17,000,000 ship tons of munitions, weapons and supplies — a task that could not possibly have been achieved without the portable harbors.

In this pamphlet is shown briefly how these harbors were constructed and put to use.



**1.** The prefabricated harbor consisted of three main elements. The breakwater (A) was made of a chain of great concrete caissons and hulkships, sunk to form a shelter for the cargo ships as they dock at the pierheads (B) where they unload. The cargoes are carried on vehicles along the floating roadways (C) that run from the pierheads to the shore-ramps onto the land. (Note in picture above that the sea is rougher outside the caissons. Note also the barrage balloons above the caissons.)



**2.** The parts of the "Mulberry" harbors were all built in Britain. The job kept 20,000 British workers working at top speed; 865,000 tons of reinforced concrete had to be cast in six months. Above are shown some caissons under construction in British yards.



**3.** The parts were towed 100 miles across the stormy English Channel by tugs, protected by the Royal Navy. Here is seen one of the 150 concrete caissons which formed the main breakwaters, being towed.



**4.** The caissons were placed in a continuous row. They were built in six different sizes for different depths of water. The biggest displaced 6,044 tons, the smallest 1,672 tons. Note the sea-cocks used to let in the water to sink them in position. Dredge ships also pumped sand into the compartments. For protection against enemy air attack anti-aircraft guns were mounted on the biggest caissons and barrage balloons floated overhead. Quarters for the A-A gun crews were built on the caissons.



**5.** To supplement the caissons, sixty old Allied warships and merchant ships sailed under their own steam and were scuttled to form part of the breakwater. One of them was the old British warship, H.M.S. *Centurion*, shown above.



**6.** The wharf for unloading the ships inside the breakwater was made of floating pierheads. Above, one of them is seen waiting to be towed into position. The pillars at the corners are adjustable legs, lowered according to the depth of the water, to anchor the pierhead to the sea bed.



**7.** Here is seen a row of seven pierheads, joined together by bridges to form the wharf. Note the markings on the legs indicating the depth of the water.



**8.** The pierhead in action. Wounded are being transferred from the ambulances to a hospital ship for return to England.



**9.** Extending from the pierheads to the shore were seven miles of floating roadways, over which the trucks carried the cargo into France. A section of them, 480 feet long, is shown above being towed across the English Channel.



**10.** Here are seen men of the Royal Engineers putting the finishing touches to the ramp on the Normandy end of the floating roadway. The job of assembling the harbor for U. S. supplies was done by the American Seabees.



**11.** The floating roadway is completed, and a tank starts across.



**12.** Here is a general view of the "Mulberry" harbor completed and in full operation. In front is the breakwater of caissons and blockships; to the center is the row of pierheads forming the wharf, and running from them to the shore are the floating roadways. All together they form a port about as big as Dover.

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I do appoint him First Lieutenant, Signal Corps in the

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such appointment to date from the fourth day of March  
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discharge the duty of the office to which he is appointed by doing and performing all  
manner of things thereunto belonging.

He will enter upon active duty under this commission only when specifically  
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And I do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under his command  
when he shall be employed on active duty, to be obedient to his orders as an officer of his  
grade and position. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time  
to time, as he shall receive from me, or the future President of the United States of  
America, or the General or other Superior Officers set over him, according to the rules  
and discipline of War.

This commission evidences an appointment in the Army of the United States under  
the provisions of section 37, National Defense Act, as amended, and is to continue in  
force for a period of five years from the date above specified, and during the pleasure  
of the President of the United States, for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington, this seventh day of January,  
in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and of the  
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By the President:



Adjutant General.

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